TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2537 - SB 2478

February 25, 2016

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Department of Health (DOH) to develop minimum standards relative to the physical and mental skills required to coach football. DOH shall develop these standards in conjunction with national groups whose main purpose is to teach, instruct, and coach football. All football coaches for public and private schools and city, county, business, or non-profit organizations that organize a youth football program shall meet these minimum standards before being allowed to coach a team.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The DOH will develop minimum standards in the normal course of business utilizing existing personnel without a significant increase in expenditures.
- The Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA) currently requires all coaches for all sports to take courses on coaching fundamentals and sports first aid and encourages coaches to take sport-specific courses that teach knowledge of their sport through the National Federation of State High School Associations.
- The minimum standards developed by the DOH will be separate from any TSSAA coaching course requirements.
- It is assumed there will be no fee assessed for football coaches to take any test, if one is required, to ensure football coaches have basic knowledge of the sport as determined by the guidelines developed by the DOH.
- Any increase in state or local government revenue or expenditures is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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